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SUBJECT: SHABA ATTACK - EXPEDITED FMS DELIVERIES

1. ZAIRE'S INTERNAL SECURITY IS AGAIN THREATENED BY REBEL INVASION IN THE SHABA AREA, THIS TIME COMMENCING WITH THE CAPTURE OF A STRATEGIC AIRFIELD AND TOWN IN THE CENTER OF THE COPPER BELT. AS AN INITIAL RESPONSE TO GOZ REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE, GEN BABIA REQUESTS ACCELERATED DELIVERY OF THE FOLLOWING FMS PIPELINE ITEMS:

A. PRC 77 BATTERIES AND CHARGERS. AN INADEQUATE SUPPLY OF BATTERIES FOR PRC 77 RADIOS IS AVAILABLE FOR SUSTAINED COMBAT OPERATIONS. THIS IS A CONTRACT WITH ASSOCIATED INDUSTRIES FOR \$381,000. REQUEST EXPEDITED SHIPMENT OF ALL MULTIPLE-BATTERY CHARGERS AND 200 BATTERIES TO SUPPORT IMMEDIATE NEEDS.

B. THE LATEST PRC SHIPMENT FROM ASSOCIATED INDUSTRIES IN
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FEBRUARY WAS SHORT 36 HANDSETS. REQUEST IMMEDIATE DELIVERY.

C. C-130 SPARES. (1) CASE KBA (SUPPLY SUPPORT ARRANGEMENT) FUNDING EXHAUSTED. \$350,000 TRANSFER PENDING FROM CASE RAK, WITH ADDITIONAL \$650,000 AVAILABLE. SIGNING OF FMS CASE MODIFICATION PENDING.

(2) REQUEST IMMEDIATE SHIPMENT OF THREE GTC 85-71 VIA DTS, WITH GOZ RETURN OF REPAIABLES TO FOLLOW ASAP. CRITICAL GTC SITUATION

OUTLINED IN ZAMISH 091342Z MAY 78.

(3) ALL TRANSPORT SHIPMENT. REQUEST STATUS AND ETA MATADI.
EXPEDITE IF POSSIBLE.

D. COMMUNICATIONS SHELTERS. ORDERED FROM HARRIS COPR IN 77.
CURRENTLY SCHEDULED FOR SHIPMENT IN JUNE. REQUEST YOU CHECK WITH
HARRIS CORP TO DETERMINE IF DELIVERY DATES CAN BE TELESCOPED.

E. CESSNA 310 SPARES. \$440,000 APPROVED FOR SPARES, TOOLS,
REPAIR OF DAMAGED AIRCRAFT, AND TECH REPS. LIST OF REQUIRED ITEMS
CURRENTLY AT CESSNA/WICHITA. STRUCTURE COMPONENTS FOR DAMAGED
310 NOT REQUIRED, AS AIRCRAFT BELIEVED DESTROYED IN REBEL ATTACK.
NO SPARES IN COUNTRY FOR 310 FLEET. ACCORDINGLY, REQUEST YOU
CONTACT CESSNA CORP TO DETERMINE IF EXPEDITED DELIVERY COULD BE
ACCOMPLISHED VIA DTS.
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